



**WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT
LOWER PASSAIC RIVER DREDGE PROJECT
January 20, 2014 THROUGH January 26, 2014**

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1. H&S/Environmental

- a. An OSHA recordable incident occurred on Tuesday, 01/21 during placement of spuds. The injured worker was treated on the barge by EMS personnel and then transported to the hospital. The worker received a dislocated elbow and numerous lacerations. He was released from the hospital on Friday, 01/24. All work ceased for the remainder of the day.
- b. A full incident report will be developed by GLDD.
- c. GLDD held a safety stand down at their Staten Island location on Wednesday with all crew members

2. Subcontract Status

- a. Subcontractors: Great Lakes Dredge and Dock

3. Administrative/Regulatory

- a. Refer to Issues and Actions section

4. GLDD – Capping

- a. Continued to test winches for synchronized movement of the barges on Monday
- b. Setting spuds on Tuesday up to the time of the worker injury
- c. Due to subfreezing temperatures which were creating ice on the river, GLDD did not return to river activities following the incident on Tuesday.

5. Issues and Actions

- a. In response to EPA comments, CH2M HILL issued a Technical Memorandum addressing the Alternate Geotextile Fabric Placement Methods associated with the structural panel alternate placement technique proposed by GLDD.
- b. GLDD is revising the capping work plan to address concerns associated with geofabric overlap should it fold over before the adjacent panel is installed.

- c. Response from EPA addressing the request to discontinue turbidity monitoring during capping operations.
 - d. Impacts to the schedule due to subfreezing temperatures. Ice develops on the river limiting access and creating unsafe working conditions as well impacting the mechanical operation of the bridges.
- 6. Two Week Look Ahead
 - a. The return to capping activities is dependent on improving weather conditions
 - b. Complete set-up of barges/equipment to support geotextile and armor stone placement
 - c. Resume placement of geotextile and armor stone using alternate technique developed by GLDD in revised capping Plan
 - d. Continue transporting armor stone to RM 10.9 area as necessary to support placement operation
 - e. Continue real time turbidity monitoring